Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 12 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 13 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 12 Apr 2023 at 01:02

Confidence: High for the unsettled theme and lower temperatures for a time, though low for the detail of exact strength of winds and any banding of showers.

Headline for Wednesday 12 Apr 2023: Blustery showers, merging into longer spells of rain or snow during the morning and carrying the risk of hail and thunder. Very windy with gales or severe gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 12 Apr 2023

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Sleet showers	Sleet	Sleet	Light snow
Precipitation probability					
60%	90%	90%	90%	60%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 12 Apr 2023

Weather: Overnight blustery showers will continue, these turning to snow for the upper slopes, generally above 500-600m. During mid-morning, clusters of showers may merge into longer spells of rain and snow at times and in any heavier bursts, there will be a risk of hail and thunder. Showers gradually easing by the evening with clearer skies developing. Strong winds throughout the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: Less than 10% during the morning rising to 60% during the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud around 600m through much of the day, lowering to 400-500m in heavy rain and snow during mid-morning. Moderate to poor visibility in rain, perhaps very poor at times in heavier downpours, or in snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	25/35 SW	32/46 SW	28/40 SW	29/43 W	32/47 W	27/40 W	23/35 W
300	15/32 SW	22/43 SW	18/36 SW	20/40 W	20/42 W	17/36 W	14/30 W
Valley	14/32 SW	20/43 SW	18/37 SW	19/40 W	19/41 W	16/35 W	13/29 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	0/-7	1/-7	2/-5	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4	2/-5
300	2/-4	4/-2	4/-1	6/1	6/1	5/0	4/-1
Valley	2/-2	5/-1	5/0	6/2	6/2	6/1	4/0
Freezing Level*	500m	600m	800m	800m	900m	800m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Significant deterioration in conditions is expected during late morning and into early afternoon with more persistent snowfall for the upper slopes and potentially reaching lower levels. Winds gusting up to or just over 60mph over the highest summits with a significant wind chill expected. Unseasonably cold and windy conditions with appropriate winter clothing recommended.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Wed 12 Apr 2023	27.4mm	44.2mm	46mm

Forecast for Thursday 13 Apr 2023

Weather: A largely dry start with some patchy cloud. Showers soon breaking out during late morning through to the afternoon, these could turn heavy and perhaps wintry on the summits. Becoming drier during the evening with plenty of late sunshine. Strong winds at first, easing later.

Maximum wind: Westerly winds, 30-40 mph gusting 40-50 mph during the early hours. Easing to 15-20 mph gusting 25-30 mph from mid-morning.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 40% through the morning, 70% later

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud mainly on higher slopes during the morning, lifting through the day. During any showers, cloud bases may fall to 500-600 metres. Generally, very good visibility but temporarily poor in any heavy showers or summit snow. Excellent air clarity in-between showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 3 Celsius, rising to Plus 10 Celsius.
At 600m: Zero Celsius, rising to Plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: 800m, rising to above the summits.

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